

The National Income Dynamics Study (NIDS) of South Africa is publically available, but requires users to sign up and register on their website. To download the data, follow this link: <http://www.nids.uct.ac.za/nids-data/data-access>.

I use the first four waves of NIDS as a panel. Documentation and code for merging the data files into a panel is available here: <http://www.nids.uct.ac.za/nids-data/program-library/data-manipulation>.

Once the NIDS data are transformed into a panel, the replication files will reproduce the main results in the paper, "Income, Psychological Well-being, and the Dynamics of Poverty."

First, the data need to be set up for the analysis. Use the `datasetup_EDCC_final.do` file for this task. This `.do` file will take the `NIDS_1_2_3_4_5.dta` file and construct the dataset I use in my analysis.